

Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Fishing – Hiking – Hunting – Wildlife Viewing

Rules and Regulations

Conservation Areas are closed from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. except for authorized fishing and hunting activities.

- No free-running pets. Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being trained or used for hunting.
- The training of hunting dogs by holders of a Missouri small game hunting permit is permitted. A Special Use Permit is required for all field and retriever trials.
- Destroying, cutting or removing vegetation is prohibited. Nuts, berries, fruits, edible wild greens and mushrooms may be taken only for personal consumption.
- Vehicles and bicycles are restricted to roadways and parking areas. No vehicles or bicycles are allowed off-road.
- Horseback riding is allowed only on roads open to vehicles.
- No littering, dumping, fireworks, open fires, camping, swimming, waterskiing and target shooting.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing and frogging are allowed under statewide regulations with the following exceptions on impoundments:

- **Amarugia Lake is closed to fishing for lake renovation. The lake has been restocked. Once these fish get to harvestable size, the lake will reopen to fishing. This process may take up to three growing seasons.**
- Stream fishing is permitted under statewide regulations.
- Fish may be taken only by pole and line and not more than three poles and lines may be used by any one person.
- Daily limits are two black bass and four catfish in the aggregate (channel, blue and flathead catfish) and 30 crappie. All other fish fall under statewide limits, but the total number taken may not exceed 20.
- Black bass less than 15 inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught.
- Bullfrogs and green frogs may be taken from areas open to fishing or hunting according to statewide seasons, methods, and limits.
- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited.
- Salvage seining of non-game fish for personal use is permitted only with written permission of the Conservation Department.
- Boats may be used for fishing and wildlife activities only

and may not be stored or left unattended overnight.

- Electric motors only are allowed on impounded waters. There are no motor restrictions on area streams.

Hunting and Trapping

Hunting is allowed under statewide regulations with the following exceptions:

- Deer hunting is permitted under statewide seasons and limits except: firearms and archery methods may be used. Firearms antlerless and archery antlerless permits may not be used.
- Only bucks that have at least four antler points on one side of their rack may be taken during the archery and firearms deer hunting seasons (except the youth portions).
- Waterfowl hunting is prohibited after 1 p.m.
- Small game and turkey hunting is permitted under statewide regulations.
- Only portable tree stands are allowed and only from September 1 through January 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address, or conservation number, of the user and must be removed from the area before Feb. 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Decoys and portable blinds are permitted but must be removed from the area daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site, but only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers is permitted only as specifically authorized by Special Use Permit.

For local information, contact:

Missouri Department of Conservation
James A. Reed Memorial Wildlife Area
816-622-0900

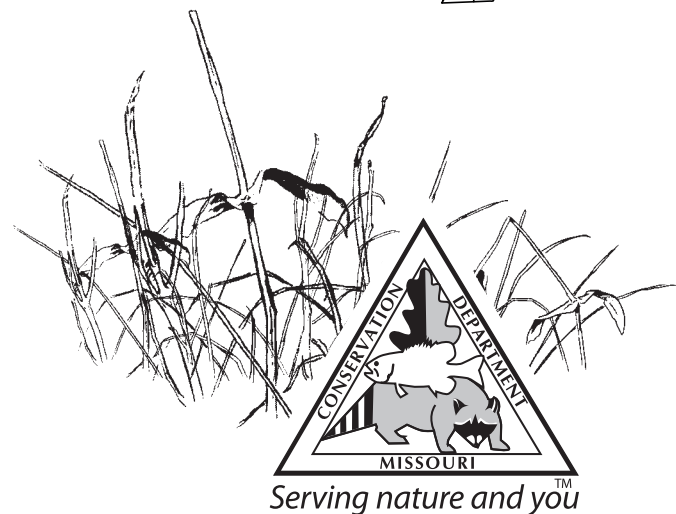
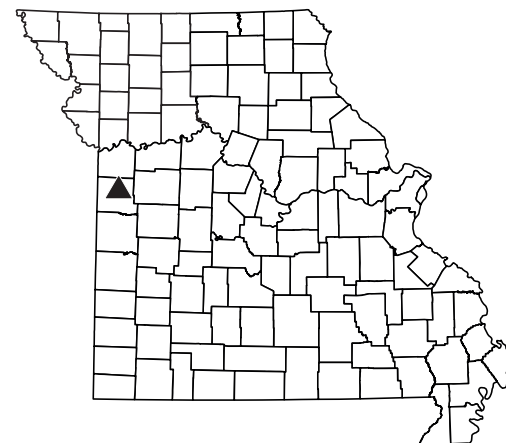
Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices.

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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (voice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP-4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

Amarugia Highlands

CONSERVATION AREA



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